

## **Proposed Actions on Fossil Fuels in Portland**

The presence of fossil fuel infrastructure and the transport of fossil fuels presents a significant risk to community safety and public health. Portland's commitment to be a climate leader nationally and globally requires a rapid transition from fossil fuels to cleaner, renewable fuels and electrification of our transportation sector. Additionally, in the event of a seismic event or natural disaster, we must take steps to ensure local resilience by ensuring that Portland and the State of Oregon has safe access to a fuel supply and such an event does not contaminate our airsheds, watersheds, or create a major fire risk.

The City of Portland is evaluating its authority for addressing these problems while preventing the expansion and growth of more fossil fuel development in the city. BPS and PBEM has been working closely with PF&R, BDS and the City Attorney's Office to explore policy solutions to these problems.

### **I. Prevent expansion of new fossil fuels development in Portland**

*Action 1:* City Council Re-Adopts Remanded Fossil Fuel Terminal Zoning Code changes that place limits on storage tanks for fossil fuels.  
Background: recommend adopt 'clean' version (no amendments) that addresses legal questions directly.

*Action 2:* Adopt additional Ordinance to cover off-loading and trans-loading facilities; place a ban on the storage of fossil fuels and possibly revise/add policies in the comprehensive plan.

*Action 3:* Consider submitting comments to DEQ for Title V Air Quality permit renewal for Zenith and Global Partners (Clatskanie) to oppose extension of these permits for being direct conflict with Portland's comprehensive plan goals to move away from fossil fuel infrastructure.

Timeline: Early Fall (October 2019)

Lead Bureau: BPS

### **II. Incentivize and quicken the transition to clean, renewable fuels**

*Action 4:* Adopt an ordinance to move implementation of Title 16.60 (Renewable Fuels Standard) from BDS to BPS; and direct BPS to return to Council in 2020 with a proposal to update the RFS to meet the

requirements adopted by Resolution No. 37289 (100% Renewables) based on carbon intensity of fuels.

*Action 5:* Adopt a resolution directing PBOT to develop a strategy and plan for Council consideration in 2020 for EV charging systems needed to support transportation electrification that serve low-income residences, including multi-family, single-family rental housing, garage-free homes as well as freight delivery.

Timeline: Early Fall (October 2019)

Lead Bureau: BPS in coordination with PBOT for EVs

### **III. Reduce risks to the community, increase safety and community resilience in the event of a seismic disaster.**

*Action 6:* Adopt a Seismic Upgrade requirement for storage tanks and trans-loading facilities in Portland to create a more resilient infrastructure. The requirements will be prioritized based on fire hazard, environmental and public health risks.

*Action 7:* Adopt a fee on the storage or transfer of hazardous materials, including fossil fuels, to create an emergency response fund for clean up and remediation.

*Action 8:* Strengthen Community Right to Know local notification requirements for the transfer, transport and storage of fossil fuels and other hazardous materials in Portland.

Timeline: Winter (December 2019 or January 2020)

Lead Bureau: PBEM, BDS in coordination with Bureau of Revenue and Financial Services